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# **AIS ACTIVITIES 12 June 2010 – 23 July 2010**

LCC Meeting, 23Jul10

Please note: on vacation from 25 June to 5 July

### **Grant Administration / Grant Updates:**

- A progress report, reimbursement request, and grant products were submitted for the Coastal Mgmt Grant.
- A reimbursement request and progress report is being completed to submit to the WDNR for the county AIS Project. This will be submitted by mid-August for expensed from Jan – Jul 2010.
- Expenses are being made to the Iron River and Delta Area WDNR AIS Control grant.

## Outreach/Workshops:

- Jun 15 <u>Clean Boat Clean Water Workshop</u> Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute. Refresher course/training for Northland College students who will assist the county by performing watercraft inspections and boater education on Lake Superior landings.
- Jun 18 <u>Northwest Wisconsin Lakes Conference</u> Drummond School. Staffed a display focusing on water gardens and potential invasive aquatic water plants, and AIS education in the schools. Many publications were available for participants.
- Jun 19 <u>Ashland Farmers Market</u> AIS booth in collaboration with Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area. Individual discussions occurred with 7 people.
- Jun 23 <u>Invasive Species Display</u> Bayfield Public Library. Set up display and set out brochures for Invasive Species Awareness Month.
- Jun 24 <u>Clean Boat Clean Water Story Hour</u> Vaughn Public Library, Ashland. Presented the CBCW Story hour to a small group of children and their parents reading a book, singing a song, crafting visors, and making a book about things they like to do in the lakes and why we need to keep the lakes clean. Children left with a "goody bag" of stickers, tatoos, wildcards, and information.
- Jul 17 <u>AIS Display at Annual Meeting of Lake Group</u> Property Owners Association, Inc. Barnes/Eau Claire Area Lakes. Along with John Kudlas (Vice-Chair AIS Committee), had an educational display, AIS specimens, and plant samples to educate individuals, and be available to answer questions.
- Jul 21 <u>Clean Boat Clean Water Story Hour</u> Bayfield Public Library. Presentated a modified version of the CBCW Story Hour to 15 children and their parents.
- Jul 21 <u>Invasive Species Open House</u> Ashland set up an AIS display and was available to answer questions at a City of Ashland and NCWMA sponsored event.

### Meetings:

- Jun 16 mtg with representative of Half Moon Lake discussed the details of writing a lake planning grant so the lake district can develop an Aquatic Plant Management Plan.
- Jun 21 Barnes EWM Committee monthly meeting to discuss activities and to discuss submitting an application for WDNR AIS Control Grant.
- Jun 22 AIS Committee meeting [see attached meeting minutes]
- Jul 16 Voyager Area Boy Scout Council met with the Walabam District Commissioner to lend out AIS specimens for a Lake Superior Day event and to discuss future collaborations.

- Jul 19 Barnes EWM Committee monthly meeting with additional time to finalize and discuss the submission of AIS grants.
- Jul 20 NCWMA and City of Ashland finalizing the Invasive Species Open House

### Other Activities:

Regular conversations with the CBCW Coordinator of the Iron River Delta Area landings to check how things are going. Visits to landings to check in with watercraft inspectors. Assisting with the writing and data collection of two grants. Report writing, bookkeeping.

Clean Boat Clean Water (Watercraft Inspector/Educators at boat launches) data since start of season:

Launch	# of boats inspected	# of individuals educated	Number of hours	Rate (boats/hours)
Lake Superior landings	137	252	70	1.96
Long Lake				
Buskey Bay	151	300	111	1.36
Twin Bear*	907	2009	354*	2.56
Delta	155	360	148	1.05
Cable				
Lake Owen				
Upper Eau Claire	663	1258	299	2.22
Middle Eau Claire	831	1962	285	2.92
Lower Eau Claire	592	1188	276	2.14
Namakagon (Hwy D)	9	18	87 (all volunteer)	0.10

<sup>\*</sup> coverage during the week also—other landings only on the weekend & holidays

No data in Surface Water Integrated Monitoring System (SWIMS) database of the WDNR